

## Florida Department of Health in Pasco County Dietetic Internship

## Program Completion Requirements & Requirements for the RDN and LD/N Credentials

The Florida Department of Health in Pasco County Dietetic Internship must be completed successfully prior to taking the registration (RDN) exam. Successful completion of the RDN exam qualifies the candidate as a professional Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN).

Upon successful completion of the internship program, interns receive a certificate of completion and a Dietetic Internship (DI) verification statement which is required in order to sit for the RDN exam administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR).

For completion of the internship, the following program requirements must be met:

- Attendance at all Dietetic Internship meetings.
- Completion of all scheduled rotations with final evaluation rating average of 3 or above in all competencies.
- Completion of 1200 supervised practice hours.
- If participating in the didactic component of the program, completion of 168 didactic education hours and all assignments and exams with an overall average numeric grade of 80 or above in each didactic area.

Additional information about becoming an RDN can be found in the following link: <a href="https://www.eatrightpro.org/about-us/become-an-rdn-or-dtr/high-school-students/5-steps-to-become-a-registered-dietitian-nutritionist">https://www.eatrightpro.org/about-us/become-an-rdn-or-dtr/high-school-students/5-steps-to-become-a-registered-dietitian-nutritionist</a>

Licensure in the State of Florida as a dietitian/nutritionist (LD/N) requires successful completion of 900 hours of supervised practice in dietetics or nutrition, as described in subsection 64B8-42.002, F.A.C. Licensure applicants must also successfully pass the Registration Examination for Dietitians. Note: Registered Dietitians are automatically eligible to apply for licensure in Florida through application by endorsement. (64B8-42.001, F.A.C.)